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## WEATHER

### TODAY

High 59  
Low 23



### SATURDAY

High 39  
Low 20



## SPORTS



The K-State men's basketball team travels to Ames, Iowa, to play the Iowa State Cyclones on Saturday. Read more on Page 6.



## THIS WEEKEND

Tonight is Tough Enough to Wear Pink Night at the K-State Rodeo, sponsored by the Collegiate Cattlemen. Competition begins at 7:30.

Check out men's basketball video coverage and our sports Podcast at [kstatecollegian.com](http://kstatecollegian.com).

## Schulz visits with students

By Brandon Steinert  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Kirk Schulz, K-State's next president, visited with students and faculty members Thursday morning at a meet-and-greet in the K-State Alumni Center, where the atmosphere was informal despite the attire.

Kansas Board of Regents Chair Donna Shank introduced Schulz, and said that during the interview process, he reminded her of President Jon Wefald.

"One of the things I admire about President Wefald is that he always thinks big and there isn't anything he doesn't think Kansas State can accomplish," she said, "and I think your next president is going to have that same view."

Shank said Schulz' fundraising experience was one of the deciding factors for the Board of Regents. Mississippi State University, where Schulz serves as

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## Cause of Web crash unknown

By Amelia Wiederaenders  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State staff members still do not know why the university's Web site experienced problems and was unavailable for about five hours Wednesday evening.

James Lyall, associate vice provost for Information and Technology Services, said there was an outage with the network connectivity to the data center, which shut down all services running through it. As soon as the problem was realized, IT immediately launched into action and worked through the night so all of K-State's Web sites and services would be available this morning. Staff members are still trying to ascertain the cause of the crash.

"We've tried to be proactive and communicate with the campus right away," Lyall said.

Though the outage was brief, it was still nerve wracking for many students anxious to access K-State Online.

"This morning when I went to my education technology class, we were building Web sites. We couldn't publish our Web sites, so now we're a week behind," said April Wilson, senior in art education. "It would've been nice to get it done."

The crash upset students, but to varying degrees.

"I've seen people getting frustrated, but technology goes down all the time," said Elizabeth Fanning, junior in mass communications.

## SGA passes final Student Publications bill

By Steven Miller  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Putting a contentious issue to rest for Student Governing Association, Jessica Schultz, student senator and junior in political science, presented the final changes to the Student Publications Inc. privilege fee bill at the Student Senate meeting Thursday.

"This is not a time to polarize ourselves," Schultz said. "Keeping the price

of education affordable to students is our primary goal and that is why I'm suggesting a 2 percent increase followed by level funding [0 percent increase] the next two fiscal years of the cycle."

The bill passed as amended with a vote of 42-8-4.

It was originally presented to the senate by Wayne Stoskopf, junior in

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## Legislation approved at Thursday's SGA meeting

<b>Student privilege fee increase approved</b>	\$7,752
Student Publications Inc.	
<b>Student program funds allocated</b>	\$1,056,060
Student-Centered Tuition Enhancements	\$470
emPower Cats	\$1,000
College National Association for Music Education	
International Coordinating Council	\$1,000

## Another trip around



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Manhattan resident Marvin Hachmeister, 78, stands at Ahearn Field House after a 3-mile run on Monday. Hachmeister runs the amount of laps in accordance to his age every year near his birthday on March 9.

## Retired professor runs birthday laps for health

By Jacie Noel  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Since the age of 50, Marvin Hachmeister has run one lap for every year he has been alive at the Ahearn Field House track. This year, he completed 78 laps in one hour, 47 minutes and 20 seconds.

Hachmeister said he started running the laps of his age in 1981, and it's been something he's done ever since. The day

he does the specific number, however, varies with how he feels.

"I generally like to run between Feb. 9 and March 9 because March 9 is my birthday," Hachmeister said. "I kind of set it up a week in advance so that the guys I'm running with know they are to be here to run with me."

Hachmeister, a former K-State professor, taught agricultural education from 1979 to 1989 and biological and agricul-

tural engineering until he retired in 1996.

Hachmeister ran as a student in high school and college, during his time in the Army and while teaching high school, when he ran with cross country and track students. When he came to K-State in 1979, he said he was getting terrible headaches because he was sitting at a desk all the time and was not active enough.

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## K-State bans campus disc golf during daylight hours

By Steven Miller  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

At Thursday night's Student Governing Association meeting, Faculty Representative Bill Muir announced a new policy that limits the playing of disc golf on the K-State campus.

The policy officially bans the sport on the main campus from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and was prompted by university administrators' concerns.

"The policy is in response to thousands of dollars in damage to university buildings," Muir said.

According to the policy, persons choosing to play disc golf on the university main campus may be asked by KSU Police to provide personal identification. Police can then determine whether the play-

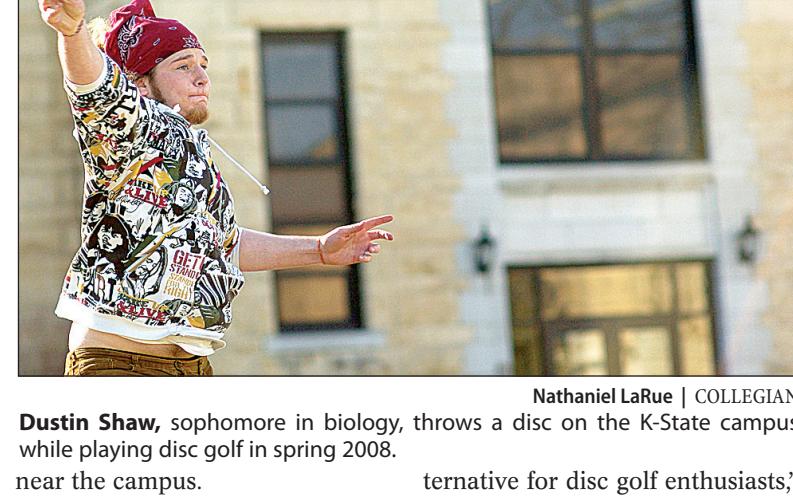
er is a repeat offender, or whether or not the player is responsible for 'campus damage or injury.'

The issue was originally raised at a Dec. 5, 2008 Student Senate meeting after a woman was hit with a rogue frisbee and later suffered from serious nerve damage.

"As a point of information, the policy applies to disc golf only, not to people playing traditional frisbee," said Senate Vice Chair Emily Haug, junior in marketing and political science.

Violators of this policy could find themselves facing criminal charges for trespassing or be removed or banned from campus.

However, administrators said they do not mean to completely discourage this popular pastime. Haug discussed the possibility of constructing a disc golf course



Dustin Shaw, sophomore in biology, throws a disc on the K-State campus while playing disc golf in spring 2008.

near the campus.

"This would be one safe al-

ternative for disc golf enthusiasts,"

Haug said.

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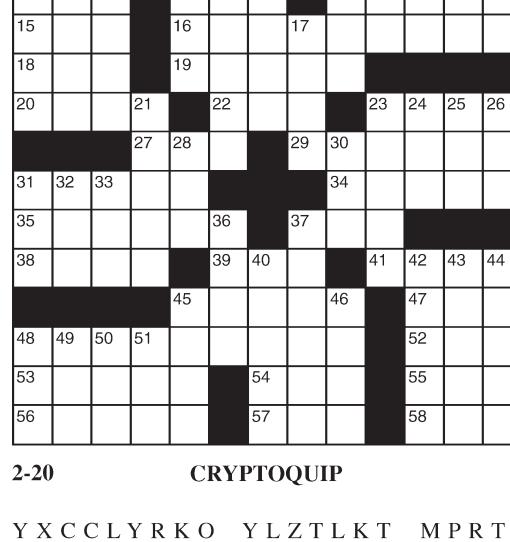
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2-20 CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF YOU REALLY DELIGHT IN READING THE NOVELS OF WRITER WAUGH, I SUPPOSE YOU REVEL IN EVELYN.  
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals L

Recreational Services is offering an eight-session nutrition class for K-State students and faculty members interested in learning more about making better food choices. The class will meet from 12:15-12:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning March 3. The \$25 registration fee includes all eight sessions. Sign up by Feb. 27 in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, contact Melissa Haug at 785-532-6980.

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# Live burn training provides more experience to firefighters

By Monica Castro  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Observing fire, wading through smoke and traveling through darkened rooms are all part of a special live-burn training firefighters endured Thursday at Manhattan Fire Department headquarters at the corner of Kimball and Demison avenues.

Scott Clark, chief training officer, said the sessions expose team members to what goes on during fires to learn all the necessary safety precautions.

Clark said the building used for the training is made out of nine conex boxes – metal boxes used to ship items on boats or trains. The building was constructed in Arizona and shipped to Manhattan and has rooms, stairs and hallways. He said because of the type of structure it is, training officials can build and add more obstacles so trainees will not be doing the same training over again. The building is used for different types of training, including confined space training with an elevator.

During the training, there were five to six instructors watching the trainees in action, but before the live-burn training, the firefighters attended a quick preparation session.

Rex Worden, battalion chief and instructor, said the firemen must attend the Fire Department Instructor Conference (FDIC) to

train themselves on safety procedures before starting the live-burn demonstration.

"We prepare the guys and tell them what they need to do, what they will do, where they will go and walk through so they know the escape route," Worden said.

Clark said the firefighters go through "three evolutions," or three different parts. The first portion is entering and observing the fire and its behavior. The second and third parts of the training add more obstacles, fire and smoke.

Drew Taylor, trainee, said the session is an exciting way to get the feel of a real fire in an unusual setting.

Taylor said it is also interesting to see how fire and smoke react to what is going on in the building.

"The reason I wanted to become a firefighter was to help people when they needed help," Taylor said. "It is not great hours, by any means; you do it because you help people."

During the training, instructors carefully monitor both the ceiling and floor temperatures.

Temperatures on the ceiling during training can be about 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit, while the floor temperature is 200 F.

"We watch the temperature because it would be dangerous for the firefighters' training," Clark said.

In addition to probes on the



COURTESY PHOTO

Manhattan firefighters discuss strategy as they prepare to enter a special simulation building Thursday during live-burn training at Manhattan Fire Department Headquarters. The session allows firefighters to practice safety measures while dealing with smoke, flames and extreme temperatures.

walls that measure the temperature of the building, the firefighters' backpacks also have a monitor that will buzz if the area is too hot or if they stop moving.

With Manhattan's live burn training building, Clark said many training chiefs and fire departments across the U.S. are calling to ask questions after they

have seen footage of training in it on the Internet.

"I must get at least two calls a day," he said.



## Rooftop liquor

Roofers Josh Isaac and Matt Mahr of Superior Roofing work on top of Rusty's Last Chance in Aggierville Wednesday afternoon.

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### What is SafeRide?

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**What happened to the Fourum?**  
It's almost as bad as working at Varney's now.

**Hey Fourum,** her name is Taylor Crawford, not Tammy. You're going to have me marry the wrong girl. D.W.

**Purple-headed yogurt slinger.**  
Everyone needs one.

**Could** one of the owners of the two crotch rockets parked in the parking lot by the engineering complex please explain to me why they are parked there while still running? Go ahead and help the environment, will you?

**First** the band, now Student Publications? What's next, Lydia, the Black Student Union?

I just saw a red squirrel eat a black squirrel. What does that mean?

**My friend just said she had to go . . . both ways.**

**KU** should go flag Kite's.

**Jesus** is sad when you do that.

**OKI, OKI,** I have two fingers.

**Hey, Fourum,** I'm about 15 beers and 45 minutes away from parking a beef bus in tuna town.

**To the deaf lady working at So Long Saloon:** Please tell us how to get to the concert.

**Eating** disorders are not attractive.

**Your food allergy** does not make you hot.

**Just because you're skinny now** doesn't make you pretty.

**What will all the frat guys do** now that there's no longer a Juicy Campus?

**To the K-State parking staff:** Your little fluorescent vests are cute, but get a real job because you're ruining my life.

**Attention:** The big ginge is on the loose.

**The mighty gingessaurus-rex.**

**Gingers** running wild.

**GT4L.**

**Green team.**

**I'm in the mood for some chicken brick'in.**

**Yesterday's** Fourum sucked.

**To the girl that thinks I should be wearing a shotgun around my neck:** What are you living for?

**I just did a table dance on the fifth floor of Hale.** How's your night going?

**To the guy table dancing at Hale:** Are you serious?

**To the Hale table dancer:** Wear a banana hammock next time.

**To the guy sitting in his convertible at 7 a.m. in the parking lot, smoking a cigar:** Could you be any more of a douchebag?

**Is it just me or do all of the stupid people hang out in the left lane between Ogden and Manhattan?** Move over, it's a highway, not a city street.

**This morning I woke up to the sound of money exploding at Fort Riley.** And strangely, I don't feel any safer.

**Individuals** for free thought, huh? Just because I believe in God doesn't mean I don't have free thought.

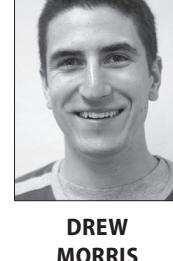
**With all the hogwash he's stealing,** I'm pretty sure Dalton Henry is trying to be the next Obama.

**Dear Collegian,** here is my student voice: Your paper is crap.

**To the girl whose boyfriend is going to California for her birthday:** Let me buy you a drink.

**Check out our Web site for the rest of today's Fourum.**

# As far as the eye can see Kansas should capitalize on wind energy



DREW MORRIS

The stimulus bill President Obama signed into law Tuesday includes provisions for renewable energy. According to the American Wind Energy Association, the top five states in wind energy produced in 2007 were Texas, California, Minnesota, Iowa and Washington, respectively. Kansas needs to increase its wind energy output to compete with those states, and begin manufacturing wind energy parts to give Kansans more jobs. This will help both the state's economy and environment.

Wind energy is one of the most efficient forms of energy, generally estimated to only be outdone by hydropower. The AWEA currently estimates that Kansas' potential wind energy capacity is third in the nation. However, our rank by existing capacity, or how much wind energy is currently being produced, is tenth in the nation. This is a drastic discrepancy that needs to be eliminated.

Some people might argue that turbines ruin a landscape or the sound of the spinning rotors annoys them, but the benefits of clean energy far outweigh these petty complaints. Migratory birds are arguably the most affected by the huge spinning rotors, and even so, the birds saved by the reduction of pollution would likely outweigh any killed by the rotors. The turbines require very little land at their base so farming and grazing can continue underneath.

President Obama's new stimulus package features an estimated \$38 billion in government spending for more efficient energy. Also in the stimulus package is a three-year extension of a wind energy tax cut. About half of all wind turbine parts are made overseas and shipped to locations in



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the Midwest. What Kansas needs to do is to bring that stimulus money into the state economy by manufacturing the parts used in the wind turbines and distributing them across the Midwest.

Kansas has two beneficial attributes the will be beneficial for this strategy: First, it has strong investment in the manufacturing job sector, and second, it is positioned geographically in the middle of a strong wind energy belt. The U.S. Department of Labor estimates that the number of manufacturing jobs has decreased 3 percent between 2007-2008 in Kansas City, Kan., but they are still important. With such heavy

development already in manufacturing and many people looking for jobs in that area, the addition of wind turbine manufacturing is a great opportunity to help put people back to work.

The Midwest, as many people have noticed throughout history, tends to be on the windy side. According to the AWEA, every state located between North Dakota and Texas is in the top 10 of potential wind energy output. Now that the stimulus package has become law, providing funds for the creation of more renewable energy such as wind, the demand for wind turbines in these states will drastically in-

## Sebelius narrowly averts disaster with state budget



FRANK MALE

While California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger pleads for help in righting his state's nearly-bankrupt government, Kansas has its own problems. Gov. Kathleen Sebelius responded by calling for \$225 million in new borrowing, refusing to issue paychecks for state employees and withholding income tax refunds, according to the political commentary blog *Redstate.com*. These are all absurd solutions to a problem that needs to be met head-on through budget cuts.

Thankfully, Tuesday night Sebelius signed a new budget bill with \$300 million in reductions. Let us now look at what fate we narrowly avoided.

There is a state law requiring the debt to be paid back by the end of the fiscal year, which is June 30 for Kansas. Sebelius obviously had no plans for paying back the new debt added to the \$550 million owed internally among state departments. It is one thing to change state law to allow debt to be rolled into the next year, but asking for more with no intention of following the state law is completely different and unethical.

State employees all have contracts which call for the pay that comes with work. Holding that pay is abhorrent, and also violates those contracts. A state government failing to honor its own contracts represents a breakdown of law and a terrible breach of trust.

Don't forget that the entire

campus is staffed by state workers. I even receive paychecks from the state for my research. The pandemonium resulting from our campus employees going unpaid would be tremendous.

While some students have managed their money fairly well, the situation could have become much more dire for others.

Income tax returns are the property of the taxpayers, who, thanks to income tax withholding, overpay their yearly taxes and are owed by the government. It is imperative that the government return overpaid taxes.

Thankfully, this never happened.

The Republican legislature and Democratic governor finally worked through the problems and cut expenditures to resolve the crisis.

This is a happy ending for what could have been a disastrous story.

It is illustrative of the dilemmas state governments have been forced to confront in the wake of the real es-

tate bubble's collapse.

States from Florida to Alaska have been forced to cut spending in order to avoid bankruptcy, and latecomers to the budget slashing party are in deep trouble. At this point, California has a \$42 billion deficit, according to MSNBC, and the legislature had an hour-long session to increase taxes and borrowing as well as cut spending by nearly \$13 billion, which is more than 10 percent of the total budget.

Schwarzenegger was poised to lay off 10,000 state workers if the bill did not pass the state legislature.

We have seen some huge changes made by states in the wake of the financial crisis, and there are bound to be more. There will be many more belt-tightening measures as the recession drags on.

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## BEST OF THE FOURUM

The Fourum is to the K-State campus what pizza is to almost all college students – daily sustenance we couldn't get by without. Unlike greasy pepperoni pizza, we won't cause your jeans to fit too tight.

Here are the comments we thought were the best of the week.

**"I found out that you can use all your one-liners to practice on the girls in Perfect World."**

How come you don't ever practice your one-liners on me?

**"Hey Fourum, her name is Taylor Crawford, not Tammy. You're going to have me marry the wrong girl. D.W."**

Sorry about that. Your drawl was pretty hard to interpret.

**"The comic in today's paper is the best it's ever been. Thanks, Lydia!"**

I dare say old chap, political collegiate snafus provide excellent fodder for our pulpy comic.

**"Excuse me, I'm new here. Can you tell me what the big white lines are going across the road?"**

Assigned seating.

**"Rubber duckies that we used to play with when we were children in our bathtub are kind of like giant dog chew toys, only we give them to children. What's up with that?"**

What's up with people who put their kids on leashes in public?

**"I am the walrus."**

Goo goo g'joob.

**"Careerbuilder.com just said I have a good future as a bad example."**

That's funny, *Craigslist.com* just told me the same thing.

**"I've got a fever and the only prescription is more Fourum."**

Take me.

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## New Smurthwaite melodrama to showcase women's talent

By Gloria Funcheon  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

"The Marvelous Magically Musical Mysteriously Muddled Melodrama" is not only first-rate alliteration, it's also a play that will be presented Saturday by Smurthwaite Scholarship/Leadership House.

The story revolves around the kidnapping of the house founder by its brother house, Smith Scholarship House. In a comical series of events, the hero and villain fall in love in a story similar to "Romeo and Juliet."

Amanda Keim, sophomore in mass communications, plays the heroine who must retrieve a stolen painting from Smith. The villain is played by Robyn Hilt, freshman in speech, who is no novice to the stage. She spends much of her time preparing speech events for competition as part of the K-State forensics squad.

"I absolutely love playing evil, but playing a man requires a lot of thought," she said.

Since Smurthwaite is an all-female house, male parts had to be acted by women, which brought some challenges.

"Women lead with their upper bodies when walking and sway their hips," Hilt said, "whereas men lead with their lower bodies, because their skeletons are lighter."

Ann Scheufler, senior in dietetics and director of the play, said the events depicted in the melodrama are loosely based on real events.

"Our version is really overacted to make it funnier than real-life events," Scheufler said.

Keim said this is the first year Smurthwaite has put on a play. She said members usually do activities to raise funds for the house, but this time they wanted to try something new.

Writing the script was a collective effort, which Scheufler said is not uncommon in the house.

Nearly all the members of the house have participated in some way, she said. As part of their contract for living in the house, women are required to contribute time working on fundraising projects.

Caitlin Luttjohann, the play's assistant director and junior in mechanical engineering, said she appreciated how hard everyone has worked to make the play successful.

"Everyone does their role and plays their part," Luttjohann said.

The most rewarding aspect, however, was discovering the unknown abilities of the house's members.

"I had no idea how talented all the girls were," Luttjohann said. "We've discovered talent in the house we never knew we had."

The melodrama will take place at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at All Faiths Chapel. There is a suggested donation of \$5 for students and \$8 for non-students. Funds raised from the play will help support the Smurthwaite scholarship banquet as well as the women's yearly retreat, Scheufler said.

## Visual awareness expert speaks on change, inattentional blindness

By Tyler Sharp  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

How much of our world do we really see?

Daniel J. Simons presented this question to a capacity crowd Thursday afternoon in the K-State Student Union's Little Theatre.

Simons is a visual awareness expert and professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign's Visual Cognition and Human Performance Division. Offering perspective and demonstrations on the concepts and effects of inattentional and change blindness, Simons showed that people process much less than they think.

To prove this point, Simons presented a number of visual tests. His first video showed three people in black shirts and three people in white shirts. Each group of people tossed a basketball back and forth. After instructing the crowd to count the number of bounce passes and through-the-air passes by the group in white, the crowd grew silent. In the middle of the video, a gorilla walked through the two groups tossing the basketballs. The gorilla exited and the video ended a short time later.

"How many passes did the white team make?" Simons asked.

He then questioned the audience about who had seen the gorilla. A few hands rose above the sea of people and gradually laughs of recognition filtered through the crowd.

"Normally about half miss the gorilla," Simons said.

The majority of Simons' lecture was centered on change blindness and inattentional blindness. Change blindness results from a failure to notice a difference in the environment from one moment to the next. The occurrence of inattentional blindness is a bit more prevalent.

"Inattentional blindness is a failure to see what's there right now," Simons said.

Car drivers failing to yield to pedestrians while using cell phones or merely going from one place to another were cited as primary examples of this type of blindness at work.

Lester Loschky, assistant professor of psychology, said the implications of inattentional blindness are very real.

"We are not as aware of our environment as we think we are," Loschky said. "That inattention has real world consequences when unexpected events occur."

Loschky, who introduced Simons to the crowd, completed his post-doctoral work with Simons at the University of Illinois.

Simons' work has appeared in numerous scholarly publications, one piece having been cited 580 times, Loschky said, and his work has also appeared on "CSI," the CBS Early Show and the Discovery Channel, among others. He is currently working on a book on how people think and perceive the real world.

## Symphony Band to perform with Goessel High

By Tim Schrag  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State Symphony Band will perform "side-by-side" with a guest concert band from Goessel High School at 3 p.m. Sunday in McCains Auditorium.

The Goessel High School Concert Band will perform a medley of songs under the direction of the school's band director, Mike Connell. Following Goessel's performance, the K-State Symphony Band will perform under the baton of Frank Tracz, director of bands.

"We do this series called 'Side-By-Side' as a recruiting effort on our part to bring students and parents to campus," Tracz said. "Goessel High's band is a great 1A band."

The Symphony Band's performance will include a song written by Russell Peck entitled "Cave of the Winds," which will include a black-light and dry-ice display. The Symphony Winds, a chamber group, will also perform at the concert, and Joshua Oppenheim, co-director of choral activities, will narrate a piece.

"The K-State Symphony Band is the top ensemble [at K-State] and will be performing a variety of interesting and enjoyable music," Tracz said.

Admission is free, and students and community members are encouraged to attend.

## Legalizing euthanasia creates less real choice

Editor,

I disagree with Jason Miller that legalizing euthanasia will lead to increased choice for end-of-life decisions. I am a physician who has studied assisted suicide and euthanasia since 1988, especially in the Netherlands. I report that patient choice and personal autonomy are not always respected.

Dutch doctors have practiced assisted suicide and euthanasia for decades. Although the law now calls for performing euthanasia with the patient's consent, it is often involuntary. The law also calls for obtaining a second opinion of another physician, but this is often never done.

By 1991, the Remmelink Report showed that 1,040 people (an average of three per day) were actively killed by Dutch doctors without the patient's knowledge or consent. In addition, 8,100 patients died as a result of doctors deliberately giving them overdoses of pain medication, not for the primary purpose of controlling pain, but to hasten the patient's death. This pattern continues to this day.

Early death can save money for health care systems as well as for surviving family members. Once assisted suicide and euthanasia are accepted, abuses are possible and difficult to control.

Those who believe that assisted suicide and euthanasia will assure their "choice" are naive.

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## Space exploration not Earth substitute

Editor,

On Tuesday, the Collegian featured an article by Adam Pham called "Beyond the Sun," which supported funding for the U.S. space program. I agree that exploring the solar system is important, but Mr. Pham's approach is misguided.

To think that the universe exists for human use and exploitation, even if it is beautiful, is the same kind of mentality that destroys that beauty. It is not simply an "investment" meant to "pay dividends," as Pham writes. I don't know if he forgot, but the most beautiful planet in the solar system is right under our feet. The most incredible landscapes and creatures one could imagine are available right here, and every day more and more of it becomes threatened. If we go around thinking the earth will be "used up" someday, and so we need to fly into space looking for a new earth, we will soon find the frozen and inhospitable truth: There will never be a better place than Earth, and we should have taken better care of it.

I'm not saying we should stop funding space exploration, but we shouldn't do it at the mental or financial expense of terrestrial beauty and hospitality, or with the idea of giving up on Earth someday. I'd choose a clear, unpolluted Kansas sky over the charred and choking wastelands of Venus any day.

John Quinn  
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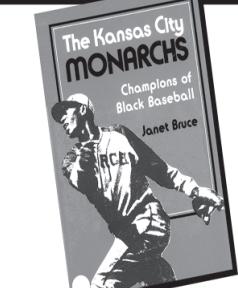
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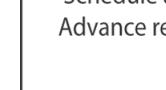
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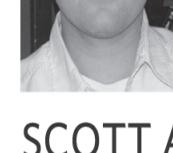
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## Fans should savor Cats' season



JOHN KURTZ

Stop it right now. Slowly back away from the computer and remove your eyes from Joe Lunardi's worthless bracketology projections. Take a deep breath, relax and savor the 2008-09 K-State basketball season.

Too much energy is being wasted on debating what the Wildcats need to do to make the tournament. Instead of rushing to your computer to see the latest insider tips compiled by Lunardi, watch some highlights from this season and remember just how fun it has been.

Consider how exciting it was to see K-State run circles around the now-No. 10 Missouri Tigers on the way to a 16-point victory that wasn't really that close. Even better was seeing the Cats nab three straight Big 12 road victories. I can't be the only one who screamed like a little girl after each decisive Fred Brown 3-pointer. Not only that, but who would have thought we'd see a Wildcat not named Michael Beasley pour in 40-plus points in a game?

Then Saturday's game happened. K-State blew a 16-point lead and lost to those heathens from 80 miles down I-70. As disappointing as the loss was, it was by no means a bad loss. Despite their knack for elevator escapades, the Jayhawks are an extremely solid basketball team. If Cole Aldrich can neutralize Blake Griffin next Monday in Norman, Okla., which I think he will, the Hawks will be the Big 12 regular season champions.

Either way, Denis Clemente and the Cats might get a chance to redeem themselves against KU in Oklahoma City at the Big 12 Tournament.

Even if K-State ends up with an NIT bid instead of a ticket to the Big Dance, it will serve as the perfect bridge for the momentum created by Beasley and Bill Walker to transfer to the 2009-10 season. It would mark the third season in a row that K-State will make a postseason appearance. A streak of that magnitude was utterly unthinkable during the neck brace-filled Jim Wooldridge era.

Want to know the best part about all of this? It's only going to get better.

Head coach Frank Martin and his staff have compiled a stellar recruiting class that includes what the Wildcats desperately need most – a big man that can consistently score.

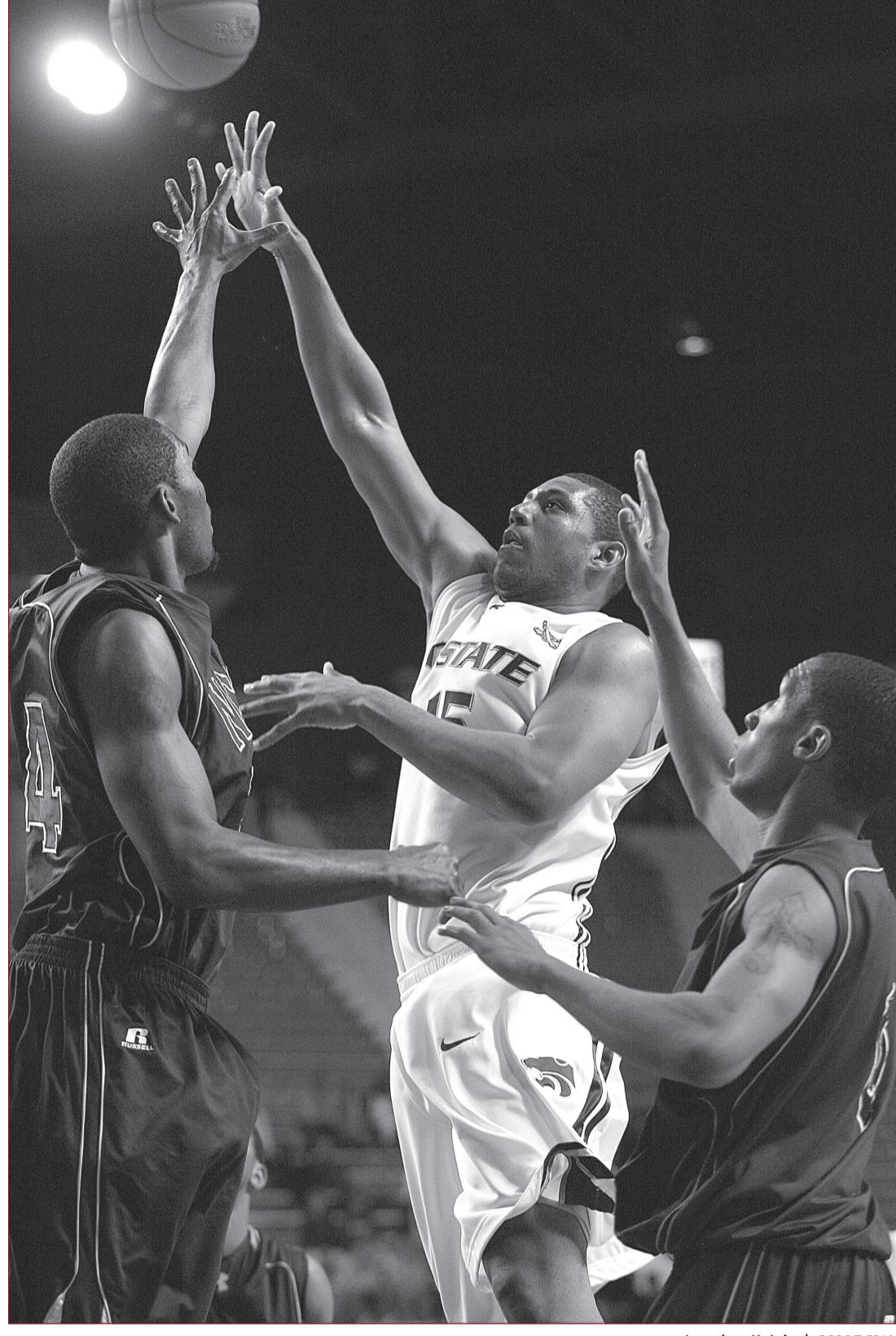
Wally Judge, a McDonald's All-American and five-star prospect according to *rivals.com*, is a 6-foot-9 power forward who brings instant offense to the K-State front-court rotation. Joining him will be Curtis Kelly, a five-star power forward, who is sitting out this season after transferring from the University of Connecticut.

More help might be on the way in the form of 6-foot-11 center DeMarcus Cousins. Cousins is an NBA-ready talent from Mobile, Ala., who currently lists K-State among his top 5 choices.

So sit back and enjoy the ride, K-State fans. I'll save a seat for you on the bandwagon. There's even a spot for you, Joe Lunardi.

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## Back to work



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Cats forward Luis Colon jumps for the ball Tuesday night against a North Carolina Central player. Colon ended the night with 12 rebounds to match his 12 points in the contest.

## Cyclones next Big 12 opponent

By Brad Dornes

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State men's basketball team returns to Big 12 Conference play Saturday as it travels to Ames, Iowa, to play the Iowa State Cyclones. K-State (18-8, 6-5 Big 12 Conference) tuned up for the trip with an easy 95-49 victory at home against the North Carolina Central Eagles on Tuesday.

During that non-conference game, the Wildcats shot a season high of 60.3 percent and were led offensively by sophomore forward Dominique Sutton's 16 points on 5-6 shooting from the field.

Jamar Samuels, Ron Anderson, Buchi Awaji, Fred Brown and Luis Colon all scored in double digits for the Wildcats. With the win, K-State improved to 12-0 in non-conference play.

"Tuesday night's game allowed us to stay in rhythm," said head coach Frank Martin.

"I didn't want us to get out of our routine. It's that time of year when the ups and downs aren't necessary."

K-State's last Big 12 game was on Valentine's Day against KU. The Wildcats lost that game 85-74, which snapped their six-game winning streak.

"The only game that matters is the game that we have on Saturday," Martin said. "We got to figure out a way to go into Iowa State and put all of our energy and focus into that game. Then we will worry about what comes at us down the road."

Iowa State (13-13, 2-9 Big 12) comes into Saturday's game after a 72-55 loss to KU in Allen Fieldhouse.

The Cyclones were led by sophomore forward Craig Brackins, who had a double-double against the Jayhawks with 20 points and 11 rebounds.

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Brackins is also surrounded by good perimeter players. Sophomore guard Diante Garrett is second on the team in scoring with 9.7 points per game and leads the team in assists, averaging 5.4 per game.

During K-State's 65-50 victory over Iowa State on Feb. 3, junior forward Jamie Vanderbeeken came off the Cyclones' bench to score 14 points.

"They continue to get better and improve," Martin said. "They have tremendous youth. They battle and battle and continue to get better."

Saturday's game marks the 207th meeting between the two schools, with the Wildcats holding the series lead over the Cyclones 130-76. K-State has won six consecutive games in this series.

Tip-off is scheduled for 5 p.m. in Hilton Coliseum. The game can be seen on the Fox Sports Network.

## Wildcats look to bounce back

By Britton Drown

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The No. 16 Wildcats should look to overcome their third consecutive Big 12 road loss as they return home to face the Colorado Buffaloes (11-12, 3-8 Big 12 Conference) for the first time this season.

Home games have proven to be good for K-State this season as the Wildcats (20-4, 7-4 Big 12) have yet to lose in Bramlage Coliseum, winning all 11 games played in Manhattan this season.

Colorado comes to Manhattan after putting an end to a three-game losing streak Wednesday night, under fourth-year head coach Kathy McConnell. The Buffaloes topped Kansas 69-62 in Boulder, Colo., thanks to three players registering double-digits in points.

The Wildcats are coming off their worst shooting performance of the season Wednesday as they fell to the Missouri Tigers 52-43. K-State shot a mere 30 percent on 52 shot attempts.

Senior point guard Shalee Lehning missed her second consecutive game Wednesday because of a mononucleosis infection, and she is still listed as day-to-day.

With Lehning absent from the lineup, the Wildcats have placed freshman forward Jalana Childs in the starting lineup. Childs had a dominating performance in her first start Sunday, registering 14 points and pulling down 16 rebounds. Childs continued to contribute against the Tigers with four rebounds and eight points, even as Wednesday's game marked the lowest point total of the season for Patterson's squad.

The Cats gave up an early 8-0 lead as they fell into a shooting slump and finished the half shooting 26 percent on 28 shot attempts.

Colorado is led offensively by sophomore forward Brittany Spears, who ranks sixth in the Big 12 in scoring, averaging 16.9 points per contest.

However, Spears and her team will be facing the conference's second best team defense, as K-State is allowing teams only 53.5 points per game.

Though K-State's loss to Missouri dropped them to 7-4 in the Big 12, they remain in a four-way tie for third place in the conference. The top two teams are Oklahoma and Baylor, which both handed the Wildcats road losses earlier this season.

Tip-off for Saturday's contest is scheduled for 2 p.m.

## Wildcats return home for last meet before Big 12 Championships

By Justin Nutter

KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

With the Big 12 Championships just one week away, members of the K-State track and field team have another chance to fine-tune their performances when they participate in the KSU Open Saturday in Ahearn Field House.

With just one meet remaining before the conference tournament in College Station, Texas, head coach Cliff Rovello said he's been content with the team's results this season, but believes there's room for improvement down the road.

"[I think we've been] OK," said Rovello, who has been at K-State for 21 years. "There's a lot of ways you can look at teams and evaluate them. From a recruiting standpoint and how we develop athletes once they're here, we're kind of looking more towards a

longer-term perspective."

K-State's 2008-09 campaign has featured several strong individual performances. Seven Wildcats have recorded NCAA provisional marks this season, including 2007-08 All-American Loren Groves, who has tallied two provisional marks and two automatic qualifying marks.

"Loren Groves is one of the better weight throwers in the country," Rovello said. "I think she's capable of winning the NCAA meet."

Fellow senior and All-American Scott Sellers has also enjoyed a solid season, recording three provisional marks in three high jump performances this year.

Though Sellers will not compete this weekend, Groves will seek a local title.

The Wildcats will look to repeat their strong showing in last year's KSU Open, where they captured a total of six event ti-



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Wally Walstrom, K-State alumnus, competes in the pole vault, an open event at the KSU Invitational on Jan. 17. The track and field team will be host to the KSU Open Saturday in Ahearn Field House.

tles. Groves stole the show in 2008, breaking the meet record in the weight throw.

The meet will begin with field events at 10 a.m., with running events commencing at 2 p.m.

## Kansas Mission of Mercy to offer free dental care

By Jason Miller  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Kansas Mission of Mercy will provide free dental care today and Saturday at the U.S. National Guard Armory located east of Manhattan on U.S. Highway 24.

Doors will open at 5:30 a.m. both days and patients are seen on a first come, first serve basis. There are no eligibility or income requirements to receive dental care, and appointments are not needed. Children and adults will be able to have cleanings, fillings and extractions performed.

The armory will house 72 dental-operation stations. The event is expected to provide about \$1 million in free dental care to about 2,000 people, according to the Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation, the event's organizers.

"Since we began this effort in 2003,

we have treated nearly 15,000 patients with services valued at \$6.4 million," said Gregg Hill, executive director of the Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation, in a video message to volunteers. "What you will see in Manhattan is very unique and we are very excited about it."

About 800 volunteers will work at the Mission of Mercy Clinic throughout the two-day event. The event will be the eighth annual Kansas Mission of Mercy Clinic since it was created by the Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation.

There will also be items for sale to raise money for future KMOM events. Children who attended a previous KMOM clinic contributed dozens of drawings and a few were selected to be made into 18-by-24 inch posters. The Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation will be selling the posters for \$20 each, with proceeds supporting dental health in Kansas.

## Touring company presents Bard's 'Comedy of Errors'

By Ashley Denney  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

"Comedy of Errors," one of Shakespeare's better known comedies, will be performed by the Aquila Theatre Company at 7:30 tonight in McCain Auditorium. Don Hedrick, professor of English, will give a brief presentation about the play prior to the performance at 6:30 in McCain Auditorium.

"Comedy of Errors" is one of Shakespeare's best comedies," said Thom Jackson, marketing and development director of McCain Auditorium. "It's stood the test of time."

Aquila Theatre Company is a touring group based out of New York City that works to bring theatre to people across the country. Members of the Aquila company will be visiting classes in the English and theatre departments on Friday.

Jackson said Aquila's performance will focus on language.

"In lieu of a good story, many groups throw a spectacle at the audience," Jackson said. "In this case, you have a good story."

"Comedy of Errors" features a family with two sets of twins separated at sea during a storm. Years later, the twins — who have also been separated — set out to find the rest of their family. After many cases of mistaken identity and various mishaps, the family is reunited.

For ticket information, visit the McCain or Little Theatre box offices, or call 785-532-6428. Tickets for K-State students are \$15 and \$12.50, while general tickets are \$30 and \$25. Discounts are available for senior citizens, faculty members and members of the military.

For more information about the Aquila Theatre Company, visit [www.aquilatheatre.com](http://www.aquilatheatre.com).

## New Facebook terms of service lead to controversy, corporate backtracking

By Jacie Noel  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

*Facebook.com* recently changed its terms of service, creating controversy when members noticed many of the changes.

According to a FOX News article, when Facebook changed its terms of service on Feb. 4, the popular social networking company declared it had a perpetual license "to use anything you post on your own Facebook page, even if you terminate your account."

Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg announced on his blog Wednesday that the company has returned to its previous terms of service while employees work to address members' concerns.

A new group, Facebook Bill of Rights and Responsibilities, was created so members can find out more information while also being able to post their input. Zuckerberg said it would probably take a few weeks to decide on final changes.

In another blog posted Mon-

day by Zuckerberg, "On Facebook — People Own and Control Their Own Information," he clarified some of the questions people have raised.

"Our philosophy is that people own their information and control who they share it with. When a person shares information on Facebook, they first need to grant Facebook a license to use that information so that we can show it to the other people they've asked us to share it with. Without this license, we couldn't help people share that information," he wrote in the post.

Travis Cornolo, freshman in mechanical engineering, said if Facebook keeps the new terms, it would make him think twice about what he posts, but he would still use the site.

"I don't know if I would have put up some stuff initially if I knew they would use the information for other things," Cornolo said.

Zuckerberg explained in his blog that when a person sends a message to a friend, two copies

are created — one in the person's sent messages box and one in the friend's inbox. Even when a person deactivates their account, the friend will still have a copy of that message.

"We think this is the right way for Facebook to work, and it is consistent with how other services like e-mail work," Zuckerberg wrote.

"People want full ownership and control of their information so they can turn off access to it at any time," he continued. "At the same time, people also want to be able to bring the information others have shared with them — like e-mail addresses, phone numbers, photos and so on — to other services and grant those services access to those people's information. These two positions are at odds with each other."

If Facebook does change its terms of service, Cornolo said as long as the terms are posted for the public to see, then it shouldn't be a problem.

"People should know what they are getting into," he said.

## DNA in genealogy to be discussed

By Monica Castro  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

For people wanting to find out more about their ancestors, the Riley County Genealogical Society will present a speaker who will discuss DNA in genealogical research.

Carol Regehr will talk about how DNA research can be useful in determining family lineage at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Manhattan Public Library.

"People who are interested in family history can look up records in courthouses in birth records, death records or deeds, but DNA is now a new thing," Regehr said.

She said DNA cannot provide every type of information about ancestors, but new research shows that the Y chromosome can distinguish men who have the

same surname who are not related to each other.

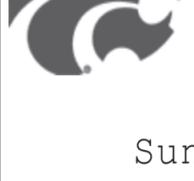
"The Y chromosome is obtained from the father to your father's father. It is very useful in separating unrelated lines with surnames," Regehr said.

The use of DNA for genealogy testing is still new and research to determine how effective it can be is ongoing.

"People think that DNA can only give them medical information but it can help further their research and tell them something about their heritage," Regehr said.

She said she is enthusiastic about DNA research, as it has been useful for uncovering her own family history.

"If people are interested in their family history, they might find this [topic] to be interesting to check out," Regehr said.

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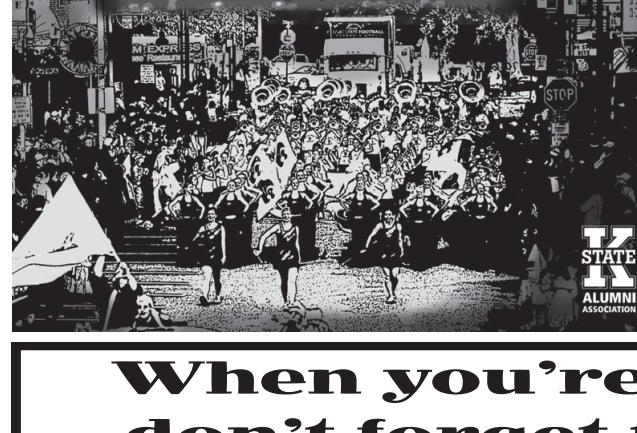
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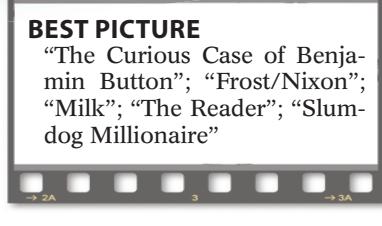
## And the nominees are...

**ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE**

Richard Jenkins, "The Visitor"; Frank Langella, "Frost/Nixon"; Sean Penn, "Milk"; Brad Pitt, "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"; Mickey Rourke, "The Wrestler"

**ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE**

Anne Hathaway, "Rachel Getting Married"; Angelina Jolie, "Changeling"; Melissa Leo, "Frozen River"; Meryl Streep, "Doubt"; Kate Winslet, "The Reader"

**Writing**

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"Frozen River"	"The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
"Happy-Go-Lucky"	"Doubt"
"In Bruges"	"Frost/Nixon"
"Milk"	"The Reader"
"Wall-E"	"Slumdog Millionaire"

**ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE**

Josh Brolin, "Milk"; Robert Downey Jr., "Tropic Thunder"; Philip Seymour Hoffman, "Doubt"; Heath Ledger, "The Dark Knight"; Michael Shannon, "Revolutionary Road"

**ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE**

Amy Adams, "Doubt"; Penélope Cruz, "Vicky Cristina Barcelona"; Viola Davis, "Doubt"; Taraji P. Henson, "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"; Marisa Tomei, "The Wrestler"

**DIRECTING**

"The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"; "Frost/Nixon"; "Milk"; "The Reader"; "Slumdog Millionaire"

**Movies receive differing criticisms before 81st annual Academy Awards on Sunday****Oscar Hot: Slumdog Millionaire**

"Slumdog Millionaire" is a definite must-see. The film depicts a Mumbai teen named Jamal Malik (Dev Patel), who grew up in India's slums and becomes a contestant on India's version of "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?" Jamal's unexpected success on the show leads to a police interrogation and as he recounts his life story, it becomes evident how he knew so many of the answers.

This story is one of love and the quest for happiness. The movie, filmed on location in India, shows not only the Taj Mahal, but also the incredibly large slums that are unknown to Western audiences. This tale of hardships that Jamal continually overcomes will leave audience members with a sense of pride in the ability of man to break free from bondage. It is no wonder this film has received 10 Oscar nominations.

**Oscar Not: The Curious Case of Benjamin Button**

Director David Fincher of "Seven" and "Fight Club" returns to the big screen with his most emotional film to date. Adapted from a 1921 F. Scott Fitzgerald story and starring Brad Pitt as Benjamin Button and Cate Blanchett as Daisy, this film seems to miss its mark. Button is a man who is born old and ages in reverse. As Button continues to grow younger, he ventures into the world and finds himself amongst some interesting characters.

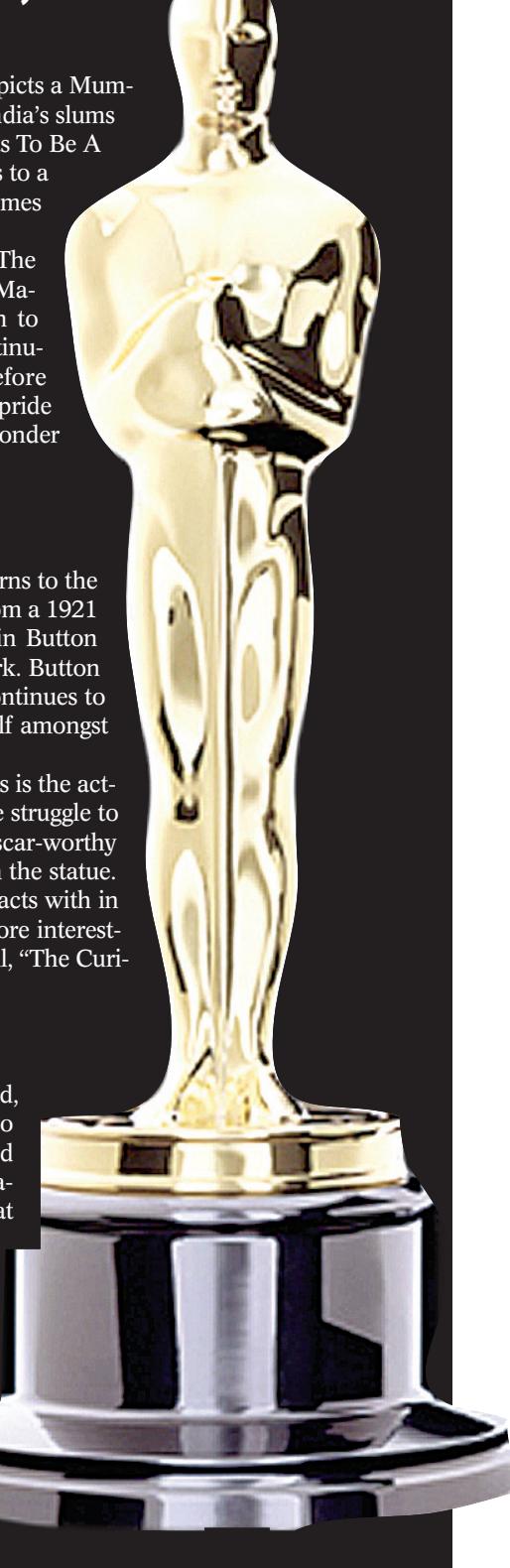
The CGI effects of Pitt's aging are extremely impressive as is the acting in the film, but so many story possibilities are lost in the struggle to keep this uninteresting love story afloat. Pitt did give an Oscar-worthy performance and I have little doubt he will walk away with the statue. Little time was given to the various characters Button interacts with in this film and those characters would have made a much more interesting movie than chasing a dull love story for far too long. Still, "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" received 13 nominations.

**Oscar Snubbed: Gran Torino**

"Gran Torino," directed by and starring Clint Eastwood, is the story of a recently widowed Korean War veteran who lives in a deteriorating neighborhood in Detroit. Eastwood plays Walt Kowalski, a disgruntled man who finds altercations outside his front door with the Hmong immigrants that live in the house beside him. Attempting to protect his property, Kowalski unexpectedly becomes a hero to a family affected by gang violence. As he works to protect the family, Kowalski becomes a father-figure to the children.

Named for the 1972 car that becomes a pivotal piece of this movie, "Gran Torino" offers viewers a look into the life of a hermit who learns one of life's most important lessons: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. Sadly, "Gran Torino" received no Oscar nominations, but this is by far Clint Eastwood's most moving performance in a

- Compiled by Jason Miller

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**CAT POWER - 'SEA OF LOVE'****'JUNO' SOUNDTRACK**

Admittedly, it's hard to pick a clear favorite off the "Juno" soundtrack. I chose to feature Cat Power, a.k.a. Chan Marshall, because she's such an interesting musician. Her on-stage performances have been described as erratic, unpolished and unpredictable. She suffers from clinical stage fright and has been noted to abruptly cut songs short and apologize, talk to a friend's baby off stage mid-chorus and go off on rambling deeply confessional tangents. Despite these shortcomings, Cat Power has a distinctly broken yet captivating voice and immense talent, which can easily be witnessed listening to "Sea of Love" and tracks from her previous albums.

**ZERO 7 - 'IN THE WAITING LINE'****'GARDEN STATE' SOUNDTRACK**

Zach Braff received an award for Best Soundtrack for his film "Garden State," and the accompanying collection of tracks flows like a well thought-out indie mix tape. This particular song can be heard during a game of "Spin The Bottle" early in the movie, a perfect match for the mood and feel of the scene. I really like this down-tempo track and can listen to it time after time and still appreciate the various layers: the simple hypnotic drumming, the Moog organ and gentle entrancing vocals. If you haven't heard it, the next time you're feeling stressed, sit back, take a deep breath and cue it up.



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## SGA | Numerous allocations passed for student organizations

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agribusiness and chair of the student privilege fee committee. He proposed a 0 percent increase followed by 4 percent the next fiscal year, and 4 percent the year after that. This bill passed in committee, 8-6, on Monday.

"The committee felt this was a justifiable amount for the three-year cycle," Stoskopf said.

Student Body President Lydia Peele, senior in mathematics education, refuted the idea that the bill was a compromise.

"If you look at this, it looks an awful lot like the bill presented two weeks ago," Peele said. She had spoken adamantly against bills presented to increase the Student Publications Inc. budget, calling it "irresponsible" in her veto message to senators earlier this week.

Student Senate also approved a series of allocations known as Student-Centered Tuition Enhancements. This passed with a vote of 49-0-1. The bill will provide \$1,056,060 to 15 different programs.

During the open period, Lannie W. Zweimiller, Lafene Health Center director, addressed the senators about the upcoming Lafene privilege fee bill, which would increase the center's budget to fill three

vacancies, one for a physician and two for nurses.

Turning to allocations, the senate voted to provide money to emPower Cats help fund Disability Awareness Week.

Senators then passed an allocation to send 35 members from The College National Association for Music Education to the Kansas Music Educators Association Conference in Wichita next week.

Finally, the senate passed an allocation to the International Coordinating Council to use for International Week activities.

"This is actually a two-week event," said Piper Hoskins, senior in economics and political science. "There will be dancing and international sports and food."

In city news, Faculty Representative Bill Muir urged senators to vote in the upcoming city elections.

"Look to the broad issues," he said. "Don't be a single-issue person."

The Senate also commended Molly Hamm, senior in English education, Bobby Gomez, senior in elementary education, and Dena Bunnel, senior in political science and agricultural communications and journalism, for being named finalists for the Truman Scholarship.

## RUNNER | Social interaction, competition remain important

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"I went to my doctor and he said, 'You need to get more oxygen in your system,' so I came over to the field house here, and guys were talking about running miles," Hachmeister said. "I couldn't run a lap or much more, and it took me about six months to get to where I could run about three or four miles."

Hachmeister now tries to run five days a week, usually totaling about 20 miles. He said his doctors think running that amount is too much for him at his age, but he considers himself to be very fortunate.

"A lot of runners I used to run with are no longer running," he said.

Hachmeister said he enjoys running with people and getting to know them, which is one of the reasons he competes in races.

"I like to run with people because you can set your pace, and you can push each other, and it gives you better training," he said. "When I run my laps, I line up three people to run with me at different stages of it."

Chi-Dong Lin, distinguished professor of physics, ran with Hachmeister recently when he did his 78 laps. Lin said he met Hachmeister about 10 to 15 years ago and has looked up to him ever since.

"He's 78 and is in great shape," Lin said. "He can

out-run most young people."

Hachmeister said running is natural for him. He ran the one- and two-mile races in high school and was one of only two members on his track team.

"When I got through with track, I had to run home, which was about four-and-a-half miles," he said, "so I got used to it."

Hachmeister also volunteers at various track meets because he said it keeps him in touch with young people. He has noticed many changes through the years, from runners' training habits to shoes.

"If you look at the old running shoes, they were just a piece of leather with some spikes on them," he said.

Friends of Hachmeister said they not only look up to Hachmeister because of his running, but also because he is "a good person."

Rick Scheidt, professor of family studies and human services, said Hachmeister is a "tough guy," but also a nice person.

"He's our role model," Scheidt said.

Hachmeister said he wants to run as long as he's healthy and can enjoy it.

"Every year I just take it 'one year at a time,'" he said. "I don't know whether I'm going to do 79 laps next year or not — we'll see. I'll do it as long as I feel like I can do it comfortably."

## SCHULZ | Regents praise next president's enthusiasm

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the vice president for research and economic development, ranks first in the U.S. in terms of federal dollars attracted.

Schulz agreed and said his fundraising background would be one of the keys to being a successful president.

"A lot of what a president does is external to the university," he said, "so raising money and going out and sort of finding resources for the institution [will be essential]."

He said the pride shared by students, faculty and staff was the most attractive feature of coming to K-State.

"Almost everybody thinks [K-State] is just a terrific place to work, so that goes a long way," Schulz said.

Board members said they immediately noticed Schulz' desire for the job at K-State.

"In the end, I think [a

deciding factor] was just his energy and enthusiasm for the job," Shank said.

"We just think he's going to be a real go-getter. He's going to come in here and want to get things moving right away and that's going to be a great benefit to Kansas State."

Regent Christine Downey-Schmidt said Schulz was an exact match to the qualities and characteristics the Board was searching for.

"I've seen him in three different settings now. At the first setting, at supper, he was one of the members of the table. He didn't try to showboat. He was kind of laid back and very polite, but then when he needed to put it on in the interview, it was there," Downey-Schmidt said.

"Those two positions were important to me because we need someone who has that cheerleading ability, but knows how to form a sense of collaboration."

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